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C O N F I D E N T I A L LONDON 06531

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: EFIN, PO, UK  
SUBJECT: FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR PORTUGAL

REF: STATE 88960

1. FINANCIAL ATTACHE CALLED CHANCELLOR HEALEY'S OFFICE  
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AND REQUESTED APPOINTMENT TO MAKE MINISTERIAL LEVEL AP-  
PROACH PER REFTTEL. HEALEY'S OFFICE EXPLAINED THAT CHANCEL-  
LOR WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE TOMORROW. HE IS EXTREMELY BUSY  
IN PREPARATION FOR HIS DEPARTURE TO THE U.S., WHERE HE  
WILL BE NEXT WEEK. CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE REQUESTED THAT THE  
SUBSTANCE OF U.S. PROPOSAL BE PUT IN A LETTER TO THE  
CHANCELLOR WITH A COPY TO SIR DEREK MITCHELL, SO THAT THEY

WOULD BE INFORMED OF U.S. VIEWS BEFORE ARRIVING IN WASHINGTON.

2. LETTER HAS BEEN DELIVERED TO THE CHANCELLOR, DRAWING ON PARAS 3, 4, AND 5 OF REFTEL. WE HAVE REQUESTED AN APPOINTMENT AT THE CHANCELLOR'S EARLIEST CONVENIENCE, WHICH CANNOT BE BEFORE THE FIRST WEEK IN MAY. SIR DEREK MITCHELL HAS UNDERTAKEN TO BRING THE U.S. PROPOSAL TO THE CHANCELLOR'S ATTENTION THIS WEEKEND AND BRIEF HIM ON ITS CONTENTS AND TO START THE ADMINISTRATIVE BALL ROLLING WITHIN H.M. TREASURY AND H.M. GOVERNMENT IN GENERAL.

3. ABOVE APPROACH WAS DISCUSSED WITH SENHOR JOAO DIOGO NUNES BARATA, COUNSELLOR AT THE PORTUGUESE EMBASSY, WHO EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE INFORMATION. HE HAD BEEN ALERTED TO PARALLEL APPROACHES BUT SAID HE DID NOT KNOW WHAT SPECIFIC ACTION HIS AMBASSADOR PLANS TO TAKE.

4. SUGGEST THAT SENIOR US OFFICIALS COULD USEFULLY RAISE THE TOPIC WITH THE CHANCELLOR IN WASHINGTON NEXT WEEK. IF THIS IS DONE, WOULD APPRECIATE REPORT OF ANY SUBSTANTIVE ACTIONS OR COMMENTS.

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